Sono Hoshi o Bokutachi wa Koi to Yobu koto ni suru

Chapter 2

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セツナイ恋に反響殺到!!
共感度NO.1ラブ!!
連載第2回!!
その星を僕たちは
恋と呼ぶ。
Twinkle Twinkle Little Star
Hey, Naoto-kun...
The memories of when we were young that shine so bright -
I'll treasure them forever.
小泉 蓮
Ren Koizumi Presents
最新刊FC『さよなら、ヒーロー。』大人気発売中!!

The sound of your piano, which was my first love, was shining more than the stars in the sky.
But
your sound has changed completely.
Why...
NAOTO-KUN!!
SFX: GKAP

Why did your piano playing sound so sad?
WHAT HAPPENED...?
NOTHING HAPPENED
puffs away
IT'S JUST MY PIANO PLAYING WASN'T GOOD ENOUGH OUTSIDE OF JAPAN
MY PARENTS AND MY TEACHER DIDN'T EXPECT GREAT THINGS FROM ME ANYMORE

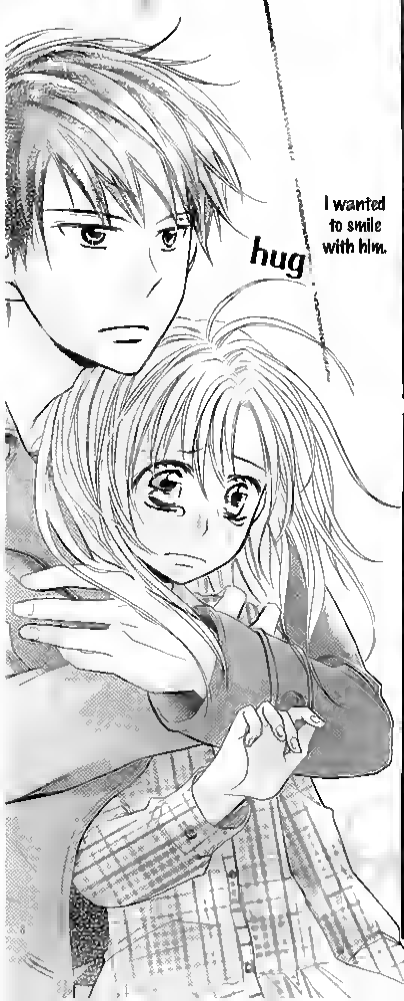
I WAS...
JUST 'OKAY' AT PLAYING PIANO. THAT'S ALL
MY PARENTS AND TEACHER
ONLY LIKED PIANO PLAYING THAT COULD WIN COMPETITIONS.
THEY WEREN'T INTERESTED IN MY PIANO PLAYING.
I've never seen Naoto-kun like this..

FOLDER: SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND ENTRY APPLICATION
You were making such a tormented face...
My eyes are not going to see much anymore soon.
I want to give him back his piano
and his shining smile...!
TONIGHT, WE'LL BE ABLE TO SEE ORION'S METEOR SHOWER!
Ah, ah,
SUDDENLY
This.. This..
IT WOULD BE NICE IF THE SKY IS CLEAR TONIGHT!
THERE IS A 40% CHANCE OF RAINFALL, SO WE DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. IF THE SKY CLEARS UP, WE'LL BE ABLE TO SEE IT

This is it!!!
NAOTO-KUN, THE SEA! LET'S GO TO THE SEA!!
open
WAIT!
SFX: FUSH
RIGHT NOW?!
LET'S MEET DOWN-STAIRS IN 5 MI-NUTES!
OKAY!
HEY?!
If we can see the meteor shower at the sea, a place that holds a lot of memories for us,
Naoto will feel better...!

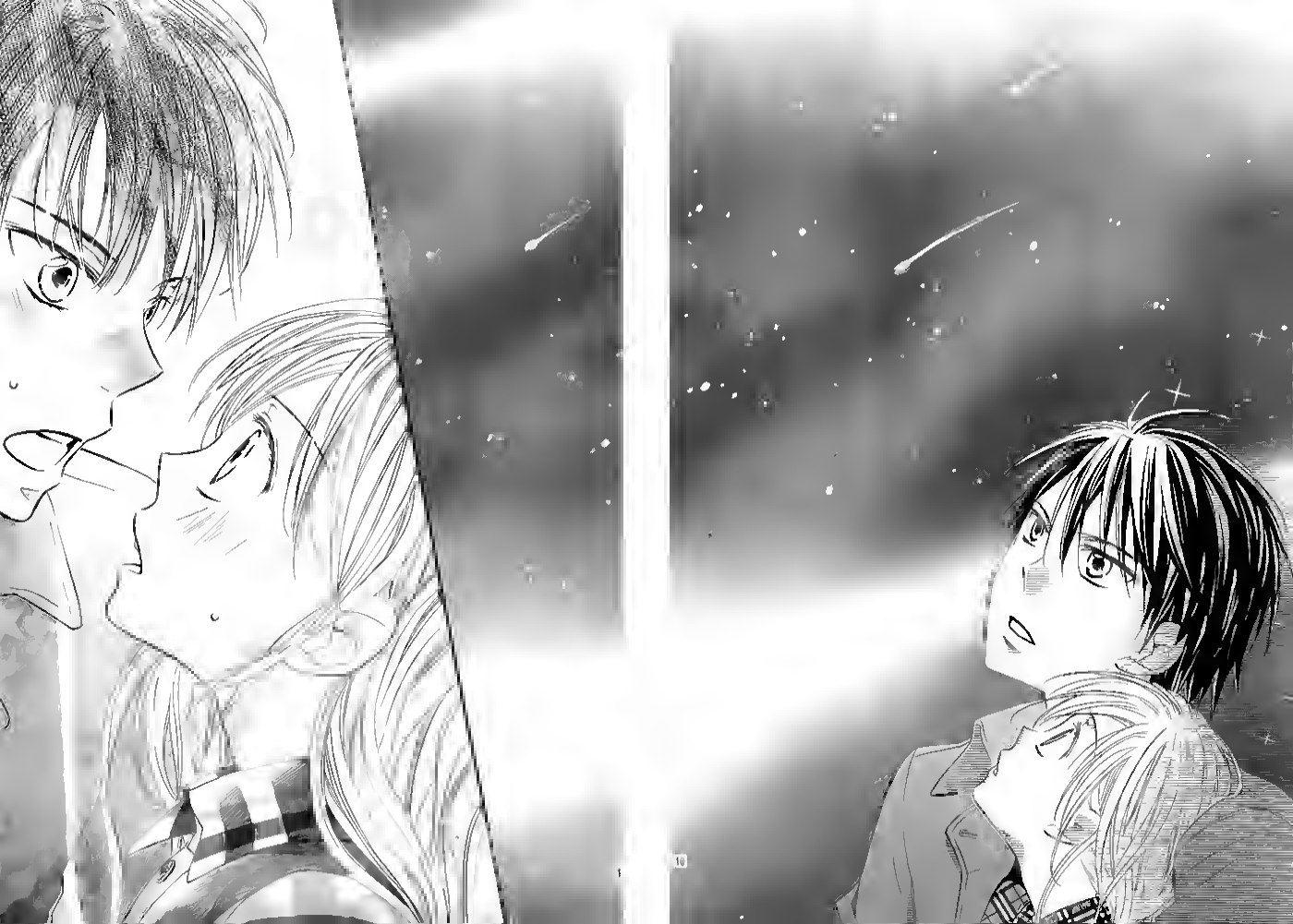
He is going to feel renewed!
ALL I SEE ARE HUGE, DARK CLOUDS
RIGHT
DEPRESSED
SFX: SPLASH
MIO... WHAT WERE YOU PLANNING?
I'm m- now, you know!
UGH... WELL...
DRIP
AH, DAMN IT!
DRIP
SFX: DOWNFOUR
Waahh! Things weren't supposed to be like this!
ビシャ

Eh
Kyaaaaaaa!!?!
It's so cold
YOU'RE WEARING CLOTHES THAT ARE TOO THIN, IDIOT!
IT'S ALREADY OCTOBER
AH, UMM, AH
ドキドキ
SFX HEART THUMPING HARPER AND HARPER
My heartbeat...!!! Naoto-kun will ...
ドンドンドン
OH,
THE RAIN IS STOPPING
I'm so embarrassed!!
He is going to hear it!!
HEH. HEH!! YES, YES, YES, YES!
AH
..Eh?


hug
I wanted to smile with him.

Is tonight not going to work at all?

I can't see the stars anymore
but all I wanted was to look at them with Naoto-kun



IT'S FANTASTIC...!!
TO THINK THAT STARS ARE SO PRETTY LIKE THIS..!

But Naoto's smile is shining, so it's okay!!
YEAH...!
moved
Cute.
Could we come see it again?
Actually, I can't see the stars at all.
ba-thump
THANK YOU, MIO. I FEEL BETTER!
Hey, Naoto-kun, did you notice?

My world, where the meteor showers and stars in the night sky can't be seen;

WHENEVER
I CLOSED MY EYES, I THOUGHT OF YOUR SHINING PIANO
I OVERCAME EVERY DIFFICULTY JUST BY DOING THAT...!
...MIO, I-
BUT!
BUT, I...

NAOTO-KUN,
SINCE A LONG TIME AGO—
I'VE ALWAYS REALLY LIKED YOU...!
...Ah!

A week has passed since I confessed to him. It went by so quickly.
SFX: SLUMP
SFX: TURN 2X
After I confessed to him, the silent hell that followed lasted for ten minutes.
It's been embarrassing from then on.
Naoto-kun, hi!
Let's go back
Hi
Yes
He's avoiding me...!!!
What should I do?
Naoto-kun
Fan letter to
小泉 重
おたより
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I've noticed that, recently.. I can't see the text on my cellphone very well anymore..
How long can I hide things like this...
tap
SFX BZZZ
ポコン
AH... MY CELL-PHONE
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TWITCH
EH
NAOTO-KUN..?!
Naoto-kun
Come to the Civic Center at 10PM
Why the Civic Center?!

SFX OPEN
Did he rent out this place...?
EX-CUSE-ME
HUH ...?
WHO ...?
MIO.
NAOTO-KUN...?!

THIS IS MY ANSWER TO YOUR CONFESSION
I AM GOING TO PLAY IT
ONLY FOR YOU
SFX: THUMP

Twinkle, twinkle, little star ...!!

I'm so thrilled and it's making my heart beat faster.
This was my one wish.
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Ah...!
It's like the starry sky that we watched back then.
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I wanted to see it one last time.
I WAS ONLY THINKING ABOUT YOU, MIO, WHEN I LOOKED AT THE STARRY SKY.
ME, TOO

I WAS REALLY LONELY
AND SAD
I WANTED TO SEE MIO SMILING
I CAME BACK,
BUT
SO DON'T CRY!

SINCE A LONG TIME AGO
Hah.
I'VE ALWAYS REALLY LIKED MIO, TOO.

Haha.
WHAT KIND OF EXPRESSION IS THAT, IDIOT?
He was looking at me blushing,
He was blushing and smiling at me.
so kindly
and he kissed me.
He kissed me like he was praying.
God... Please give me some more time.
I don't have much time left to spend with him.